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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
5 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
6 AT TACOMA

7 SCOTT C. SMITH,

8 Plaintiff,

9 v.

10 DOUG WADDINGTON, RUSSELL
11 AMARU, and ERIC HERNANDEZ,

12 Defendants.

NO. C11-5080 RJB/KLS

ORDER EXTENDING PRE-TRIAL
DEADLINES

13 Before the Court is Defendants' Motion to extend the deadline for the filing of
14 dispositive motions. ECF No. 42. The Court previously set the deadline for the filing of
15 dispositive motions for December 9, 2011 and the filing of a joint status report for March 9,
16 2012. ECF No. 17. Plaintiff strenuously objects to an extension of the motions deadline.
17 ECF No. 43. He states that Defendants argued very strongly against his requested extensions
18 of the discovery deadline and, therefore, they should not be allowed any extension, of the
19 motions deadline.

20 However, an extension of the dispositive motions deadline will benefit both parties as
21 they prepare their cases and hopefully, narrow the issues before trial. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED:

22 (1) Defendants' motion for an extension (ECF No. 42) is **GRANTED**.

23 (2) The dispositive motion deadline shall be extended until **January 20, 2012**.

24 The deadline for the joint status report of March 9, 2012, shall remain unchanged.
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(3) The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to Plaintiff and to counsel for Defendants.

DATED this 23rd day of January, 2012.


Karen L. Strombom
United States Magistrate Judge